

ARRESTS GIVE CLUE IN BOYS KIDNAPPING

Police Follow Trail Bared by Confession, but Fail to Find Child.

SEEK LEADER OF BAND

Said to Be Nephew of One of Five Caught in Trap

Set by Woman.

PRISONERS ADMIT PLOT

Motive for Crime Found in Gossip of Lad's Mother About Family Funds.

Though five Sicilians were locked up each in default of \$25,000 bail yesterday, after their arrest charged with complicity in the kidnapping ten days ago of Giuseppe, the five-year-old son of John Verotta, from in front of his home, 354 West Thirtieth street, the police have not yet succeeded in recovering the child. Members of the Italian bomb squad of Police Headquarters, under the leadership of Detective Michael Flischetti, worked all day, but until a late hour last night their quest for the lad had been fruitless.

Early in the day the police announced they had obtained from one of the prisoners the name and address of the principal who, it is alleged, kidnapped the boy and who was supposed to have the child in his keeping. Detectives hurried in a motor car to the address named but neither the man nor the boy was found there. The father of the suspect, however, was taken to Police Headquarters to be questioned. The man is a Sicilian baker. He said his son had been in the habit of returning home from his work at about 8 o'clock every morning, but that he has not seen him for several days. When pressed he said he did not know just where his son worked.

May Be Hidden Near Home.

Some of the prisoners, all of whom were subjected to relentless interrogation, caused the police to believe the kidnapped boy had been concealed in the same block in which is his home. They insisted, however, that they had not seen this chief suspect since the day of the crime, which was May 24. The man who is said to have been the actual kidnapper, according to the police, is a nephew of one of the five prisoners who, as told in late editions yesterday of THE NEW YORK HERALD, were trapped when the police lured them to the home of Verotta, who handed over to them marked money supposed to be in ransom of the kidnapped child.

The capture of these five alleged members of the black hand band was accomplished largely through the clever work of Mrs. Rae Nicoletti, a police woman, who posed in the Verotta home as a Detroit cousin of Mrs. Verotta. She kept her eyes and ears open, and noticed that the Verotta house was under constant espionage from a house on the opposite side of the street. It was this information, developed by the cooperative work of Detective Flischetti, Thomas Greco, James Ponderino, Angelo Trezza, Louis Dardis, George Tette and others, that led to the setting and springing of the trap late Thursday night.

Police Claim Confessions.

The prisoners when arraigned described themselves as follows: Antonio Marino, laborer, 249 East Thirtieth street; Sanio Crestani, laborer, and James Ruggiere, chauffeur, both of the same address; John Melchione, no occupation, and Roberto Raffaele, a piano tuner, 171 Palisade avenue, Union Hill, N. J. Ruggiere, who, the police aver, is the stepson of Antonio Marino, has admitted to them, they say, that he wrote the two black hand letters which were sent to Verotta threatening his child's life and his own unless he should pay the ransom demanded. The Detective Bureau made public also the substance of confessions alleged to have been made by Melchione and Raffaele, telling how they went to Verotta's house at the behest of "the gang" to get the money promised at the time when they were seized by the police. What led the extortioners to suppose the Verottas had money enough to make the kidnapping worth while commercially came to light yesterday. The police learned on May 23 the child's mother was consoling with the wife of one of the men now under arrest, who is a neighbor, concerning a new automobile which the Verottas had just purchased. "It doesn't look like much of a car to me," the wife of the suspect is understood to have commented. "Oh, but that isn't because we couldn't afford it," returned Mrs. Verotta. "We have plenty of money and could have bought a better car if we wanted it."

GIRL SLASHED IN FACE ACCUSES A MANICURE

Jealousy Over Good Looks Is Theory of Detective.

Miss Marie Fekete, 28, of 242 East Seventy-ninth street, ran into the street yesterday bleeding from cuts on the throat and face.

"She did it," Miss Fekete exclaimed. "My roommate, Miss Fekete, was giving me a massage and cut me."

A policeman sent the girl to Flower Hospital, and went to her room, where he arrested Miss Marie Fekete, 26, manicurist and hair dresser. Detective Thomas E. Enright said that from what he could gather Miss Fekete had been jealous of Miss Fekete's good looks. Miss Fekete was held in \$2,500 bail on suspicion of assault for examination Monday in Yorkville court.

YALE JUNIOR PROUD FATHER.

The first baby born to a member of the Yale class of 1922 arrived at the Wackensack Hospital yesterday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Conklin are the proud parents. Mr. Conklin graduates a year hence. The couple eloped a year ago and were married while his parents were in California, but he was quickly forgiven. Of course Master Jack Cole Conklin will go to Yale in due time.

TURN backward a page and you will see the section of this paper that interests thousands and thousands of people—the Want Ad section.—Adv.

NEGRO, ACCUSED BY GIRLS, SAVED FROM MOB BY COP

Victim Is Badly Beaten by Harlem Crowd, Which Responds to Young Women's Cries—Magistrate Discharges Youth as Punished Enough.

VILLAGE TEMPEST INVOLVING POLICE

Negligence Rumored and Hints of Proffered Protection Are Heard.

Out of the clash of epithets, allegations and defile hurled at each other by the Washington Square Association and the Greenwich Village Social Association there came a rumor yesterday that police officials have been negligent in their duty in the embattled Ninth Ward. Mayor Hylan was even reported to have started a quiet investigation of some police officials who are said to have been involved.

A woman who is one of the best known tea shop proprietors in the village said yesterday that more than one police official had come to her with the suggestion that she open a more pretentious place and take them into partnership. With such an arrangement, she said, they assured her there would be no need for fear either of raids or of other annoyances by the police.

The Greenwich Village Social Association, made up of most of the tea room, dance hall and restaurant proprietors in the village, held a meeting and sent to Mayor Hylan a letter protesting against the representations made to the Mayor on Thursday by a committee from the Washington Square Association, made up of old residents and body with allegations that the police were being used to protect the tea room.

"We particularly protest," said the letter, "against having an entire section and all of its public entertainments accused of being disorderly and being continuously persecuted, chiefly at the instigation of persons who have no business of any acts which they allege."

Edward Barry, secretary of the association, said that the members were "God fearing, law abiding citizens endeavoring to do out an honest living." He said the members had invested thousands of dollars in their enterprises in the village, and that they "certainly would fight rather than allow some outside body to come in and take away their property without any compensation."

All yesterday and last night police officers might be seen trading along the winding street of the village. One cop said he had looked over the Blue House at 6 Christopher street, one of the places which drew the fire of the Washington Square Association, and that it looked like a very nice place to him.

"Women are to blame for this," said Marcha Strinsky, proprietress of Three Steps Down, a dance hall reformer. "Women who are getting on in years and are jealous of the girls who have taken their places. That's all that's wrong with 'em—they're just sore because they are ugly when they get old and they think they have to take it out on somebody else."

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M. BELMONT FREED OF ASSAULT CHARGE

Justice Finds Taxi Driver's Accusation Unfounded.

The charge of assault made by George A. Peterson, a taxi cab driver of Glen Cove, L. I., against Morgan Belmont, son of August Belmont, last Monday following a dispute over the amount of fare after Peterson had driven Belmont and a party of friends from a road house at Glenwood landing to Belmont's home at Westbury was dismissed yesterday after a hearing before Justice of the Peace Arthur Jones at Port Washington.

Belmont and three women who had driven with him in the taxi cab swore that there had been no blow struck. Mrs. Belmont, Mrs. Grace Peabody and Miss Beth Martin testified that Peterson had been engaged at the road house, at which no drinking had been made, and upon arriving at Westbury demanded \$2. Belmont, who had no money, borrowed \$5 from Mrs. Peabody and offered Peterson that sum.

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JUDGE ADMITS REBUKE TO LAWYERS

Summons Two to Appear for Their Clients.

A rebuke to lawyers who "think most of accepting fees and then let their clients languish in jail" was delivered from the bench yesterday by Judge Talley of General Sessions, when he directed Samuel Tullman of 1249 Broadway and Emanuel A. Bush of 105 West Tenth street to appear before him. Tullman was not present yesterday morning when his client, Miss Catherine Zohrer, 17, of 1209 Third avenue was arraigned on a charge of luring a man into a hallway, where an alleged accomplice held him up. When Tullman answered the Judge's summons he explained he was busy in another court. He entered a plea of not guilty for the girl.

After Bush appeared he had a short talk with Judge Talley and then wrote out a check for \$100, payable to a client, Joseph Klienner of 127 East Third street, a comb manufacturer, who pleaded guilty to a violation of the State liquor law on April 15. Bush was not present in court when Klienner received a suspended sentence.

APARTMENT THIEVES KNOCK OUT WOMAN

Man and Female Accomplice Go Into Place Advertised to Rent For Summer.

The police were searching last night for a man of German appearance and a woman, who, on the pretence of examining the apartment of Mrs. Mary Tobin, at 706 West 173rd street, near Broadway, on Washington Heights, to rent for the summer, gained entrance, and after beating Mrs. Tobin unconscious stole a diamond ring valued at \$250, a watch and \$20.

The attack and robbery had been planned carefully, and the presence of the woman as the man's accomplice, the police said, is a revival of a game that had been worked formerly very successfully, but lately has been ignored by criminals of this type.

Earlier in the week the couple had called in response to Mrs. Tobin's advertisement and after a preliminary inspection promised to return yesterday. When they came Mrs. Tobin admitted them and they went to the dining room, which they expressed a special wish to see again, when the attack came.

The woman seized Mrs. Tobin's arms, holding them to her sides, while the man drew a revolver and struck Mrs. Tobin on the head several times with the butt. Mrs. Tobin dropped without an outcry. The man then went to the door of the apartment and saw the door of the apartment ajar went in and found Mrs. Tobin on the floor unconscious. They called aid, and the injured woman was attended by an ambulance surgeon.

A search of the house revealed that beyond the jewelry box and the drawer where the money was located nothing had been disturbed. Mrs. Tobin gave a description of the couple. Both were well dressed and mild mannered, she said.

Two men with drawn revolvers walked into the office of the Midcity Warehouse Company, 534 Water street, yesterday afternoon and found David Scott, the cashier, alone. They backed him to the rear wall, and while one kept him covered the other made a package of the pay envelopes, in which were altogether \$849. Rushing out, they jumped into an automobile and escaped while Scott was shouting for aid.

MEMORIAL DAY FEAST UPSETS CITY'S SHEEP

Eight May Die After Lunching on Picnic Refuse.

A feast on abandoned lunches, egg shells, saltpeper and cream and ice cream and other refuse left in the sheep meadow in Central Park on Memorial Day by picnic parties is believed to have upsets of the ninety sheep that graze in the meadow, and their death is expected. Twenty-two others show signs of poisoning.

The sheep were turned into the fold during the holiday in order to give the public the full benefit of the lawn, and Tuesday when they were turned out by Frank Hoy, the shepherd, they began getting sick. Hoy has had charges of the sheep for the last eighteen years, and formerly was with Barnum & Bailey's circus. The sheep earn \$50 each a year in wool and ewes yield an income in lambs which sell for \$20 each.

CALLS WIFE CRIMINAL IN ASKING FREEDOM

Law Librarian Seeks Marriage Annulment.

Charges that his wife is a shoplifter and a habitual criminal were made in affidavits submitted yesterday in Brooklyn Supreme Court by Raymond J. Horton, librarian of the New York County Lawyers' Association, 45 Broadway, in his action for annulment of the marriage. The wife, Elizabeth, 24, admitting that she had pleaded guilty twice to petty larceny and once had served in the Bedford Reformatory for Women, declared that her husband knew of these things before their marriage, which took place April 11, 1918.

Horton said most of the furnishings of their home in Richmond Hill were claimed and taken away by detectives from department stores. He had no idea, he said, of the full extent of her criminal tendencies, but he had learned that his wife while a schoolgirl had stolen a gold watch and \$300 from her uncle.

BAD CHECKS FOR \$21,370 CAUSE TWO ARRESTS

Three Banks Accuse Rivoiri and Kobro of Larceny.

Henry J. Rivoiri, of 233 Broadway and Adolph Kobro of 115 West Twenty-second street were arrested last night by Detective McCartney of the Central Office on a General Sessions bench warrant charging grand larceny. The Grand Jury has indicted them on charges that they obtained \$21,370 from the Fifth National Bank, the Atlantic National Bank and the Bank of the United States by cashing checks when they had no funds on deposit there.

The police say the indictment sets forth that after the accounts of both men had been closed Kobro obtained from Rivoiri a check for \$1,000 drawn on the Atlantic National Bank and cashed it at the Fifth National and later cashed a check for \$5,000 drawn by Kobro on the Bank of the United States. Kobro is locked up in Headquarters and Rivoiri is in the Tombs awaiting arraignment.

Passing years

What is more thoughtful as the years come and go than to fittingly remember our dear ones who have passed on?

In Memoriam

Notices in The New York Herald offer mute testimony of the thoughtfulness of those still here.

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THE NEW YORK HERALD

John F. Brennan of Yonkers Will Direct Evidence for Banker's Wife.

RUPTURE PREVENTED

John B. Stanchfield's Sole Connection Now Through a Member of Firm.

SETTLEMENT IS REMOTE

Resumption of Hearings in Poughkeepsie Is Set for Next Tuesday.

John F. Brennan of Yonkers has succeeded John B. Stanchfield of Stanchfield & Levy, 120 Broadway, as chief counsel for Mrs. Anne Urquhart Potter Stillman, defendant in the divorce suit brought by the former president of the National City Bank, and Mrs. Stillman, confident of winning, will fight the case to a finish.

That decision was announced last night after a two days' conference. Stanchfield & Levy and Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft will not withdraw from the case, as reported yesterday, and members of those firms will be assigned by Mr. Brennan to specific details of the defence. Mr. Brennan issued the following statement:

"In a conference to-day of the attorneys and counsel for Mrs. Stillman at the offices of Stanchfield & Levy it was deemed wise that, as the trial of the action must take place outside of New York city, the firm of Brennan, Curran & Bleakley of Yonkers should be substituted as attorneys of record for Mrs. Stillman in place of Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft. The attorneys and counsel are united and firm in the belief that Mrs. Stillman should and will win and towards this end will use the aid of their respective offices. The case will, however, be conducted by and under the direction of Mr. Brennan."

Mr. Brennan added that an order changing the counsel of record would be filed in the Supreme Court at White Plains to-day. He denied there had been any trouble among Mrs. Stillman's lawyers.

It was learned from a reliable source, however, that the realignment of counsel probably averted a rupture. For some time it has been rumored that the withdrawal of Mr. Stanchfield was imminent. He is suffering from lumbago and neuritis and that was one reason given, but it is known that he has not taken a hand in the case since his client refused three weeks ago to accept Mr. Stillman's compromise offer of \$85,000 a year.

Whatever differences there may have been, everything was patched up yesterday, and with Mr. Brennan as field marshal the defence will line up as follows: Abel I. Smith of Stanchfield & Levy will specialize on the "keyhole" and "ladder" testimony of Mr. Stillman's Canadian witnesses; William M. Parks of the same firm will present the evidence in regard to the "other women," testimony of George Coghill of Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft will have charge of the case in so far as Mrs. "Flo" Leeds, former chorus girl, and her relations with Mr. Stillman are concerned.

A settlement is the last thing Mrs. Stillman's attorneys are thinking of. It was said yesterday. There have been no overtures, and it was stated positively that preparations are going ahead for the resumption of the hearings Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday before Referee Daniel J. Gleason at Poughkeepsie.

LABORERS UNCOVER SAFE OF POE'S OLD BANK

Papers Buried Since 1878 Brought to Light.

A dozen laborers working on an excavation for a department store building at the corner of Broadway and Park avenue, The Bronx, felt a thrill yesterday afternoon when they saw the steam shovel lift a piece of earth and uncover an old safe. They seized their picks and attacked the safe with visions of buried treasure and gold doubloons and all sorts of priceless trinkets, but when the old vault came open there was nothing inside except old bank books, deposit slips and other worthless papers.

The safe weighed 1,000 pounds. The papers showed it had been the property of St. John's Savings Bank of Portland, Maine, which went out of business in 1878. Most of the papers, however, bore the date 1878.

About the only thing that came out of the discovery was a conference of most of the old heads in that part of the Bronx. One old resident recalled a legend that Edgar Allan Poe used to keep a dollar or two in the bank when he was in funds, but some of the others scoffed at this story.

"In answer to a small Help Wanted Ad. The Herald secured the services of several very able workmen," says Herald Want advertiser.—Adv.

COUNSEL CHANGES IN STILLMAN CASE

John F. Brennan of Yonkers Will Direct Evidence for Banker's Wife.

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[Signed] John W. Wamaker

June 4, 1921.

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Admission free.

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4, walnut, Jacobean...\$1,026

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"HAMPTON" skirts of wool jersey—knife pleated—\$11.75.

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